



AIEO UPDATE

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AIEO WELCOMES NEW DIRECTOR *Carol Jorgensen was appointed by EPA Administrator Christine Todd Whitman as Director of the American Indian Environmental Office on May 6, 2002. We at AIEO are truly honored to have Carol as our Director*



Hi, I wanted to have the opportunity to introduce myself. My name is Carol J. Jorgensen, my Indian name is Shuk de Heit, I am a Tlingit Indian from Southeast Alaska. My Moiety and Clan is Eagle/Killerwhale. I am married to Peter Jorgensen, Inupiat name Nagaruk. He is Inupiat Eskimo from Kotzebue, Alaska. Peter and I have six sons, 11 grand children and two great grandchildren. We are very proud of them all.

I have been on the job as Director of the American Indian Environmental Office at EPA for all of three weeks, and I am in the process of learning EPA rules, regulations, policies, and goals, along with meeting a lot of wonderful people. I transferred over from the Department of Agriculture, U.S. Forest Service where I was with the Forest Service for ten years as a Subsistence Coordinator, District Ranger, Forest Supervisor and lastly National Tribal Program Manager. I have had a number of tremendous opportunities in my 38 year career, including overseas in the Foreign Service from 1964 to 1976, living in Austria, Bolivia and Afghanistan, working in the American Embassies. I served as city manager, Deputy Director for

Alaska Department of Fish and Game, District Sales Manager for a company based in New York and; worked for the Inupiat people in Kotzebue, Alaska, as the Executive Director of the Arctic Marine Resources Commission; served as Grand President of the Alaska Native Sisterhood, and Vice-President of the Native American Fish and Wildlife Society. I have enjoyed a very rich and rewarding career, allowing me to gain knowledge and expertise in a number of areas which I can put to work at EPA.

I am very excited about working for EPA as AIEO Director. As a Tribal person coming from a rich heritage that my ancestors have carefully handed down to us, I am proud to be in this job to further the understanding of the indigenous people of this land. I have always stated that if it is anything that our people know, love and understand, it is the natural resources, the land, the water, the environment, and the sustainability and health to which we as Indian/Alaska Native people are so connected. As the original stewards of the land we have so much at stake and need to ensure everyone joins with us in our commitment to Mother Earth. Our very existence and survival depend on that connection and her health. Our drums are the heart beat of the earth, and our songs the thanks we give for life.

I know that I have a lot to learn. Be patient with me. I have a lot of energy to give to this job and look forward to every minute of it. I am so impressed with the commitment and dedication of the AIEO staff, the Tribal Caucus, and all the people I have talked to so far. I also look forward to meeting with all the Tribes and working with them to forge ahead and be an important part of the tapestry of everything EPA, the Tribes, the States and all partners are committed to. Gunal Cheesh, Ho Ho (A Tlingit Thank You)

NATIONAL TRIBAL CONFERENCE ON ENVIRONMENTAL MANAGEMENT (NTCEM)

EPA congratulates the Pyramid Lake Paiute Tribe as the selected co-host of the 6th National Tribal Conference on Environmental Management (6th NTCEM). The conference will be held from June 4 through June 7, 2002, at John Ascuaga's Nugget in Sparks (Reno), Nevada. EPA Administrator Christine Whitman is scheduled to speak.

A major goal of the 6th NTCEM is to coordinate with, and bring attention to the variety of tribal-related environmental efforts by tribes, tribal organizations, committees and inter-tribal consortia in Indian country. Towards that end, the National Tribal Environmental Council (NTEC) is co-locating their annual conference to directly precede the 6th NTCEM at the Nugget. The NTEC annual conference is scheduled from June 2 through June 4, 2002. The Conference will sponsor four tracks, the themes of which are: Natural Resources & Mining, Sustainability/Case Studies, Legal & Policy Issues, Education/Youth, Program Development, and Science/Technology/Subsistence.

Held biennially since 1992, the EPA-sponsored, tribally-directed National Tribal Conference on Environmental Management has grown into one of the premier environmental events in Indian country. The Office of Solid Waste and Emergency Response initiated this conference in 1992 and has co-sponsored the conference biennially into the present. For 2002, AIEO, ORD, OPPTS, and other EPA program offices are sharing its focus and responsibility. Originally focused on solid waste activities, the conference has evolved in a diverse direction of environmental topics and attracts roughly 600 participants, including Tribes, tribal organizations, states, and federal program managers from across the Nation. A national tribal conference of this magnitude provides an excellent opportunity for sharing program information and public education on the various environmental media. The conference also provides EPA an opportunity to consult with a wide audience of tribal government representatives for various program purposes. **Pyramid Lake Paiute Tribe contact: Mr. Gerry Emm**, Environmental Director, (775) 574-0101, gemm@powernet.net, **OSWER Contact: Felicia Wright**, (202) 260-4410, wright.felicia@epa.gov,

REMINDER !!! NEW GRANT SOLICITATION AIMED AT AMERICAN INDIAN TRIBES: Lifestyle and Cultural Practices of Tribal Populations and Risks from Toxic Substances in the Environment

Title: Lifestyle and Cultural Practices of Tribal Populations and Risks from Toxic Substances in the Environment

The U.S. EPA's Office of Research and Development (ORD) and the U.S. Department of Health and Human Services' Agency for Toxic Substances and Disease Registry are seeking applications for research on lifestyle and cultural practices of Tribal populations and risks from toxic substances in the environment. Tribal populations may be at especially high risk for environmentally-caused diseases and health outcomes as a result of their subsistence lifestyles, occupations and customs, and/or environmental releases impacting tribal lands. This solicitation invites applications in two areas of current interest, the development of: 1) exposure and effects assessment methods that can be broadly applied across geographic regions and Tribal populations and 2) risk management strategies and options that will lead to reduction in risk from exposure.

Close Date: 07/10/2002 - APPLICATIONS CAN BE FOUND AT: http://es.epa.gov/ncer/rfa/02trib_risk.html

ALSO:

Title: Superfund Minority Institutions Program: Hazardous Substance Research

The U.S. EPA's Office of Research and Development (ORD) through its National Center for Environmental Research (NCER), is seeking applications for the Superfund Minority Institutions Program that will provide extramural funding to minority institutions via grants to conduct research on Superfund related topics. Appropriate projects include research on risk assessment and risk management issues associated with contaminated sites as well as related subjects such as community assessment and involvement, susceptible populations, and tribal-specific topics.

Close Date: 07/03/2002 - APPLICATIONS CAN BE FOUND AT: <http://es.epa.gov/ncer/rfa/02minhazinst.htm>

AIEO NEWS

AIEO is losing (at least for a while) two members of its small staff who will be taking advantage of career opportunities not to be passed up!

Theresa Fleming-Blue, AIEO's Tribal Operations Committee Coordinator has taken a position with The EPA Chapter of the American Federation of Government Employees.

Bob Smith will be on loan to the Smithsonian Institution's Museum of Natural History through an Interagency Personnel Agreement (IPA) for a year+. He will be developing a catalogue on the Iroquois Collection - both photographic and artifact collections.

Attached is an updated list of AIEO staff, phone numbers and the address of the AIEO office recently moved to the Federal Triangle Complex.

OTHER NEWS FROM PROGRAMS, REGIONS and PARTNERS- News on Meetings, Publications, Training, Interagency Workgroups, etc.

OFFICE OF AIR & RADIATION

OAR ANNOUNCES: Institute for Tribal Environmental Professionals (ITEP) Receives Top Award for Air Quality Work

For the second year in a row, the **Institute for Tribal Environmental Professionals (ITEP)** of Northern Arizona University has been presented with U.S. EPA's Environmental Excellence Award for its air quality management work with Indian tribes. In a presentation ceremony in Washington D.C. on March 5, ITEP Director Virgil Masayesva accepted the award from Jeff Holmstead, U.S. EPA Assistant Administrator for Air and Radiation, on behalf of a multi-faceted training and support organization that has to date provided air quality management training and support to nearly 800 tribal air professionals representing more than 200 Indian tribes. EPA Administrator Christine Todd Whitman attended the presentation.

Environmental Excellence Awards are presented by U.S. EPA to individuals and groups for work that contributes in a significant way to cleaner air. Out of more than 150 nominations, 20 awards were presented to individuals and groups this year for their contributions to the nation's air quality. Last year, ITEP Professional Training Program Manager, Annabelle Allison, received the Environmental Excellence Award for her significant contributions to tribal progress in air quality management. This year's award was presented to ITEP as a whole in broader recognition of its work.

The yearly Environmental Excellence Awards comprise four categories: Clean Air Technology, Community Development/Re-Development, Regulatory/Policy Innovations, and Education and Outreach. ITEP's 2002 award was in the Education and Outreach category, reflecting the Institute's comprehensive training and support efforts that have contributed substantially to the development of tribal air management programs throughout the U.S., including Alaska.

Environmental Excellence Award winners are selected by the Clean Air Act Advisory Group (CAAAG), a senior-level policy committee that offers advice to U.S. EPA on methods of implementing the Clean Air Act Amendments of 1990. The CAAAG is composed of some 60 members representing state and local government, environmental and public-interest groups, academic institutions, unions, trade associations, utilities, industry and other expert advisors, including tribal members.

ITEP represents a partnership among the tribes, U.S. EPA, and other entities. Programs that fall under ITEP's umbrella include the American Indian Air Quality Training Program, which offers air management workshops to tribal air professionals; the Professional Training Program, which provides individualized support to tribal environmental professionals; the Tribal Environmental Resource Center, a clearinghouse for tribal environmental data and information; the Environmental Education Outreach Program, which provides science education to K*12 tribal students and teachers and encourages tribal youth to pursue environmental careers; the Tribal Air Monitoring Support (TAMS) Center, a technically oriented training and support facility in Las Vegas, Nevada; and training programs in other media, including environmental inspections, solid waste, and wastewater management. ITEP is based at Northern Arizona University (NAU) in Flagstaff.

REGION 10 TRIBAL AIR RULE - On February 13, 2002, the Administrator signed Region 10's proposed rulemaking

entitled, "**Federal Implementation Plans under the Clean Air Act for Indian Reservations in Idaho, Oregon and Washington**". This proposed rulemaking was published in the Federal Register on March 15. The Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) proposes to promulgate Federal Implementation Plans (FIPs) under the Clean Air Act (CAA) for Indian reservations in Idaho, Oregon, and Washington. The FIPs would include basic air quality regulations for the protection of communities in and adjacent to such Indian reservations. These rules would be implemented by EPA, or a delegated Tribal Authority, until replaced by Tribal Implementation Plans (TIPs).

EPA will take public comment on this proposal for 90 days after it is published in the Federal Register (until June 13). To comment, please submit your written comments to: David Bray, Office of Air Quality (OAQ-107), U.S. EPA Region 10, 1200 Sixth Avenue, Seattle, WA 98101-1128. For more information about the proposed rulemaking, contact **Regina Thompson** of EPA Region 10's Office of Air Quality at (206) 553-1498 or **Debra Suzuki** at (206) 553-0985.

To view full information see: <http://yosemite.epa.gov/r10/airpage.nsf/webpage/Tribal+Air+Rules+Project?OpenDocument> and: <http://www.epa.gov/fedrgstr/EPA-AIR/2002/March/Day-15/a4140.htm>

REGION 10 TRIBAL AIR RULES PROJECT TEAM RECEIVES AWARD for the first of its kind Regional Tribal Air Rule

The Region 10 Tribal Air Rules Project team received the EPA Gold Team medal for developing the proposed rule promulgate Federal Implementation Plans (FIPs) under the Clean Air Act (CAA) for Indian reservations in Idaho, Oregon, and Washington. This was the first time that EPA had written comprehensive federal air rules for a geographic area such as a reservation. These rules will bring basic air quality protection to more than a quarter million people living on 39 reservations, an area larger than many states. In addition to protecting the air, the process used to develop these rules respected tribal sovereignty, both through an entirely new consultation process and through an innovative approach to select reservation-specific controls. Under the Clean Air Act, tribes have authority to regulate air pollution on reservations. Until tribes choose to exercise that authority, however, EPA has the duty to implement the Clean Air Act and protect air quality.

Each federal implementation plan is composed of a set of basic air rules, and where appropriate, additional rules tailored for the needs of each reservation (example, restriction on emissions from wood waste burners). The rules address pollution from industrial smokestacks, fugitive dust, backyard burn barrels, and agricultural and forestry burning. In addition, the rules provide EPA with authority to register and permit stationary sources, respond to emergency air pollution episodes, and address source-specific complaints. The rules are independent modules so a tribe can choose to substitute its own rules section by section without affecting the continued implementation of the other rules. Moreover, each rule can be separately delegated to a tribe to implement on EPA's behalf.

Congratulations to the Team Members: Mary Bell Austin, Lillian Bradley, David Bray, Roylene Cunningham, Donna Deneen, Yvette Downs, Rich McAllister, Rich Ossias, Connie Robinson, Tod Siegal, Debra Suzuki, Bonnie Thie, Regina Thompson

OFFICE OF ENFORCEMENT & COMPLIANCE ASSURANCE

OFFICE OF COMPLIANCE - Assistance Agreement Solicitation

The Office of Compliance (OC), within EPA's Office of Enforcement and Compliance Assurance (OECA), is soliciting proposals for assistance agreements with states and tribes, in the range of \$50,000 - \$200,000, for proposals in three focus areas: Tribal and State Inspector Training; Program Planning and Performance Measurement; and Data Management. Two to five page pre-proposals must be received electronically or by hard copy by July 5, 2002. Funding decisions will be made by August 16, 2002 based on the pre-proposals. Applicants selected to receive funds will be required to submit final proposals to the appropriate EPA Region by September 27, 2002. Agreement will run three years or less and will be judged by the following criteria:

- (a) The explicit intent to collaborate and partner with other states and tribes within an EPA region to host or participate in an Inspector workshop.
- (b) Course outline and content is consistent with EPA Federal guidelines and is supportive of an authorized program.
- (e.g., training provides information on federal inspection law and policy) Course content may also provide information on inspection issues that arise under state and tribal laws.

Copies of Pre-proposals should be sent to **David Piantanida** (2222A), US EPA - Ariel Rios South Rm 6149D, 1200 Pennsylvania Avenue, NW, Washington, DC 20460, email: piantanida.david@epa.gov, Tel: (202) 564-8318, Fax: (202) 564-0034; and simultaneously to the appropriate Regional Enforcement Coordinator. The Federal Register notice will be posted on the EPA's Office of Enforcement and Compliance Assurance web site at <http://www.epa.gov/compliance/planning/states>.

OFFICE OF ENVIRONMENTAL JUSTICE

Interagency Environmental Justice Revitalization Projects

The Interagency Working Group on Environmental Justice (IWG) is soliciting a second round of nominations for collaborative partnerships working to address local environmental justice concerns. **The main goals of the IWG Environmental Justice Revitalization Projects are:** (1) To support and encourage better leveraging of existing federal resources in supporting local efforts to address environmental justice concerns, (2) To support strong potential partnerships, and (3) To identify the "best practices" of effective collaborative partnerships for communities, governmental agencies, and other stakeholders working on solutions to environmental justice issues facing communities. Selection is not accompanied by any specific funding commitment from any federal agency; however, selection will bring the project national exposure and recognition, provide greater access to resources from various stakeholders, and promote the project as a model for future collaborative partnerships. Any organization or group of organizations involved in collaborative multi-stakeholder partnerships to address local environmental justice concerns may apply.

Detailed instructions are provided in the IWG Environmental Justice Revitalization Project Request for Nominations Announcement (IWGDP-02), available through the EPA Office of Environmental Justice (OEJ). Nominations must be submitted to the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) and **postmarked no later than midnight Friday, August 16, 2002.** Information can be obtained from **Delta Valente**, OEJ, 202-564-2594, valente.delta@epa.gov. **The OEJ Website is** <http://www.epa.gov/compliance/recent/ej.html>

Indigenous Peoples Subcommittee

The Indigenous Peoples Subcommittee (IPS) of the National Environmental Justice Advisory Council, a federal advisory committee to EPA, is working to develop recommendations for EPA on how it might help tribes identify and address EJ issues arising within Indian country and of concern to Alaska Natives related to implementation of federally authorized/approved tribal environmental programs. The IPS is considering sections on: 1) Tribal Rights, Legal Status, and the Federal/Tribal Relationship, 2) Defining the Concept of EJ in Indian Country and Alaska Native Villages, 3) Proposed Components of a Tribal EJ Program, and 4) Developing New Strategies for Implementing Federal Environmental Laws and Addressing EJ Issues in Indian Country and Alaska Native Villages More Effectively. For more information, please contact **Dean B. Suagee**, Indigenous Peoples Subcommittee Member, by e-mail at dsuagee@vermontlaw.edu or by telephone at (802) 763-8303, ext. 2341, or **Daniel Gogal**, EPA Designated Federal Official, by email at Gogal.Danny@epamail.epa.gov or by telephone at (202) 564-2576

OFFICE OF ENVIRONMENTAL INFORMATION (OEI)

Toxic Release Inventory Released

On May 23, 2002, the Office of Environmental Information announced the release of the **2000 Toxics Release Inventory** data reported to EPA by July 1, 2001. **The Toxics Release Inventory (TRI)** is a publicly available EPA database that contains information on toxic chemical releases and other waste management activities reported annually by certain covered industry groups as well as federal facilities. This inventory was established under the Emergency Planning and Community Right-to-Know Act of 1986 (EPCRA) and expanded by the Pollution Prevention Act of 1990.

The TRI is a cornerstone of EPA's Right-to-Know Program, providing the public with direct access to detailed information about releases of toxic chemicals in their communities. The TRI data show that chemical releases decreased about 8% between 1999 and 2000, continuing a downward trend since the TRI program began in 1988. For example, metal mining releases decreased about 14% and chemical releases in the manufacturing industry decreased 2.6%.

The 2000 reporting year marked the first year of reporting under new TRI rules for persistent bioaccumulative and toxic (PBT) chemicals such as dioxin and mercury. The new TRI rules expanded reporting by adding certain PBT chemicals to TRI and lowering the reporting thresholds for other PBT chemicals already covered by TRI. These new data are an important addition to the Right-to-Know Program because these chemicals persist and accumulate in the environment.

The TRI data, background materials, and the two-volume TRI Public Data Release Report are available on the Internet at www.epa.gov/tri. Also available is TRI Explorer, an electronic search tool that makes the TRI data more easily accessible and understandable. If you have questions or comments on the TRI data or the reports, please contact the **TRI Program Division** at (202) 566-0717.

OEI LOOKS TO CONSULT TRIBES ON ITS DEVELOPMENT OF Guidelines for Ensuring and Maximizing the Quality, Objectivity, Utility, and Integrity of Information Disseminated by the Environmental Protection Agency (herein referred to as the Information Quality Guidelines).

Congress directed the Office of Management and Budget (OMB) to issue government wide guidelines that "provide policy and procedural guidance to Federal agencies for ensuring and maximizing the quality, objectivity, utility, and integrity of information

(including statistical information) disseminated by Federal agencies.” The OMB guidelines direct Federal agencies subject to the Paperwork Reduction Act to issue their own information quality guidelines to ensure and maximize the quality, objectivity, utility, and integrity of information, including statistical information, by no later than one year after the date of issuance of the OMB guidelines (October 1, 2002). OMB also directs agencies to make available a first draft on or before May 1, 2002, to facilitate public review.

On April 30, 2002, EPA published a notice in the Federal Register announcing the availability of the draft EPA Information Quality guidelines and the beginning of a **30-day public comment period** on the draft Information Quality Guidelines. The Information Quality Guidelines will apply to any information EPA disseminates as of October 1, 2002. As a result, these Information Quality Guidelines may affect future environmental information collection and analysis procedures used by our partners and stakeholders, including Tribes. These Guidelines may be found at:

<http://www.epa.gov/oei/qualityguidelines/index.htm>

If **possible, please submit your comments by June 14, 2002** via email to quality.guidelines@epa.gov or via fax 202-566-0706 (Attention: Evangeline Cummings). If you choose to mail your comments, please send your comments to **Ms. Evangeline Cummings, Environmental Protection Agency, Office of Environmental Information, Mail Code 2842T, 1200 Pennsylvania Avenue NW, Washington, DC 20460. Telephone: 202-566-0621.**

EPA is offering tribes an *additional opportunity to comment on the proposed Information Quality Guidelines*. **EPA is planning to hold a conference call with tribal leaders to discuss their comments, concerns regarding the Information Quality Guidelines in mid June 2002. If you are interested in participating in this conference call, please contact Ms. Evangeline Cummings at the phone number or e-mail address provided above by June 12, 2002.**

ANOTHER INVITATION TO COMMENT :

Draft Data Standards for 1) Reporting Water Quality Results for Chemical and Microbiological Analytes and 2) Exchange of Tribal Identification Information Are Available for Public Comment

The Environmental Data Standards Council (EDSC) is providing an opportunity for comment on two draft data standards – 1) Reporting Water Quality Results for Chemical and Microbiological Analytes and 2) Exchange of Tribal Identification Information. These draft data standards are an essential element for improving the quality of environmental data exchanged among partners as well as assisting secondary users of data to understand, interpret and use data appropriately. These draft data standards are the product of policy and program representatives from EPA, States and Tribal communities serving on the development Action Teams convened by the EDSC.

The draft data standards consist of a list of data elements, definitions for these elements, notes and explanatory introductory language. These and lists of Frequently Asked Questions are posted at the Web site listed below.

Water Quality Results - <http://www.epa.gov/edsc/announcements.htm>

Tribal Identification - <http://www.epa.gov/edsc/announcements.htm>

A Federal Register Notice of Information Availability and Request for Comments published on May 14, 2002 provides public notice of the release of these draft standards. Web page: <http://www.epa.gov/fedrgstr/EPA-WATER/2002/May/Day-14/w11827.htm>

You may submit comments via electronic mail (e-mail) to ow-docket@epa.gov as a WordPerfect or Word file avoiding the use of special characters and any form of encryption. To receive a paper copy or file comments contact: Comment Clerk, Water Docket (MC4101) USEPA, 1200 Pennsylvania Ave., Washington, DC, 20460, Docket Number:W-02-02. The record is available for inspection from 9 to 4 p.m., Monday through Friday, excluding legal holidays at the Water Docket, EB 57, USEPA Headquarters, 401 M Street S.W., Washington, D.C. 20460. Please call 202/260-3027 for an appointment.

The EDSC will have the development Action Teams review comments and recommend appropriate changes to the draft standards prior to EDSC adoption. EDSC adoption indicates to States and Tribes that this will be the preferred format for exchange of environmental information in these subject areas. It also indicates that these data elements will be incorporated into EPA national data systems after review and approval by internal Agency information policy panels.

If you have questions or need further information, please contact **Linda Spencer** (202) 566-1651.

OFFICE OF SOLID WASTE AND EMERGENCY RESPONSE (OSWER)

OSWER Innovations Initiative

In December 2001, Marianne Horinko, Assistant Administrator for OSWER, launched an **OSWER Innovations Initiative** to test new ideas and strategies for environmental and public health protection which make EPA's waste programs more efficient and effective, user-friendly, and understandable to the general public. One component of the initiative is the establishment of an **innovative pilot program**. There are many promising ideas which, oftentimes, need a little more study, or the infusion of small

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resources to fully flesh them out. Or sometimes they just need a champion. OSWER is considering innovative proposals submitted by EPA OSWER staff from headquarters and regions targeting land revitalization, recycling, waste minimization, energy recovery, and retail partnerships. Proposals may be as high as \$100,000, however, to encourage implementation of as many proposals for innovation as possible, amounts from \$20,000 to \$50,000 per pilot would be preferable, with the goal of nationally applicable projects. This is an internal (EPA only) process, however, we hope co-implementors and external stakeholders will partner with us on the pilot proposals. Tribes are encouraged to discuss new ideas or approaches with us to see if there is a way we can help make those ideas reality. For additional information see: <http://www.epa.gov/swerrims/IWG.htm> or contact **Felicia Wright** (OSWER Tribal Coordinator) 202-566-1886, wright.felicia@epa.gov or **Brigid Lowery** (Innovations Coordinator) 202-260-6206 lowery.brigid@epa.gov

OFFICE OF SOLID WASTE

FY 2002 RCRA HAZARDOUS WASTE GRANT PROGRAM FOR TRIBES

The FY 2002 OSW Hazardous Waste Grant Program for Tribes had total of \$299.5K in State and Tribal Assistance Grant (STAG) funds to award. Projects not funded under this program were eligible to receive funding from other sources such as OSW Extramural Funds (\$75K - EPM) and funds set aside by the Indian General Assistance Program (GAP) (\$125K - STAG). Below are the final awards for FY 2002.

(Final - As of May 7, 2002)

SOURCE	FY 2002 FUNDING AMOUNT
Hazardous Waste Grant Program for Tribes: P.L. 105-276 (H.R. 4194)	\$299.5K (STAG)
OSW Extramural Funds	\$075K (EPM)
General Assistance Program (GAP) - AIEO	\$125K (STAG)
Combined Total	\$499,500

EPA Region 1	St Regis Mohawk	\$ 75,000 (EPM)
EPA Region 6	Cherokee Nationj	\$ 35,000 (STAG)
EPA Region 7	Omaha Tribe of NE	\$ 18,000 (STAG)
EPA Region 8	Lower Brule Sioux	\$ 65,000 (STAG)
EPA Region 9	Gila River Indian Community	\$100,000 (STAG)
	Navajo Nation	\$125,000 (GAP-STAG)
EPA Region 10	Assn. Of Village Council Presidents	\$ 37,300 (STAG)
	Yukon River Intertribal Watershed Council	\$ 44,200 (STAG)

For more information contact: **Luke Jones**, Office of Solid Waste (5303W), (703) 605-0728, or jones.luke@epa.gov



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